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For starters my town where I grew up was vastly different from Chicago. Mansfield is very suburban with a train station, a concert venue,  a mall, a small airport, a golf course, many stores, banks and nice houses. The only thing you would need to leave town for is a movie theater which is 10 minutes away in the next town. Its also much safer and racially diverse. In savage inequalities it says that only 170 kids graduate high school out of the starting 800 where at my school probably 95% graduate. It is said in the book that 27% of seniors read at below 8th grade level and that if you go into the school system not reading then you will go out that way. At my high school we have special classes people can go to like study hall or study skills class. there are peer tutor programs that i participated in once. Often it is for new students coming from different schools in the U.S and often new international students. Here we help them transition to life at our school and help them adjust to classes in America.

The Chicago Tribune is a magnet school like the one I am researching, Classical High School. But Jonathan Kozal makes the point that the magnet school has the power to select students based off race and other unfair advantages kids could have besides being intelligent.